

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

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## VIA FACSIMILE AND FIRST CLASS MAIL

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**RE:** MUR 5447

Missouri Republican State Committee—Federal Committee and Harvey M. Tettlebaum, as treasurer

Dear Mr. Vaughn:

I am writing in response to your letter dated May 7, 2004, requesting an additional twenty days to respond to the Commission's findings in this matter. After considering the circumstances presented in your letter, the Office of General Counsel has decided to grant your requested extension. Accordingly, your response is due by the close of business on June 8, 2004.

I am encouraged to hear that you believe that this matter will conciliate without additional enforcement proceedings. The Office of General Counsel shares your sentiment and has no current intention of issuing probable cause recommendations to the Commission. Should circumstances change in the future, however, your clients will receive a General Counsel's Brief and be given an opportunity to respond before the Commission determines whether to issue probable cause findings in this matter.

If you have any further questions, please contact me at (202) 694-1572.

Best regards,

Brant S. Levine

Attorney